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Sir:

Applicants petition the Commissioner for Patents to extend the time for response to the Notice To File Missing Parts dated July 19, 2001 for four (4) months from September 19, 2001 to January 19, 2002.

In response to the NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION - FILING DATE GRANTED mailed July 19, 2001,

enclosed please find an executed Declaration/Power of Attorney form.

Also enclosed is a copy of the NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF

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The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 50-1710 for the \$640.00 filling fee, the \$65.00 surcharge fee and the \$720.00 extension of time fee. The Commissioner is also authorized to charge any additional fees due with respect to this filling to Deposit Account No. 50-1710. A duplicate copy of this paper is attached.

Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our Washington, D.C. office by telephone at (202) 625-3500. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our address given below.

Respectfully submitted,

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## NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

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An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The statutory basic filing fee is missing.
   Applicant must submit \$ 355 to complete the basic filing fee and/or file a small entity statement claiming such status (37 CFR 1.27).
- Total additional claim fee(s) for this application is \$360.
  - \$360 for 40 total claims over 20.
- The oath or declaration is missing.
   A properly signed oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date, is required.
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) of \$65 for a small entity in compliance with 37 CFR 1.27, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
- The balance due by applicant is \$ 780.

A copy of this notice MUST be returned with the reply.

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